



Fact Sheet

Judicial Security

2015

- ▶ Since 1789, the U.S. Marshals Service has been the enforcement arm of the federal courts and has been responsible for protecting the federal judicial process.

2015 Data	
Number of federal court districts protected by the Marshals	94
Number of court locations protected by the U.S. Marshals Service	approx. 440
Number of federal judges protected by the Marshals	approx. 2,200
Number of other court officials (U.S. attorneys, assistant U.S. attorneys and judicial branch employees) protected by the Marshals	approx. 10,000
Number of threats and inappropriate communications against the judiciary assessed, mitigated and deterred by the Marshals in fiscal year 2014	768

- ▶ Employing a national network of deputy U.S. marshals, physical security specialists, intelligence analysts and support staff, the agency:
 - Ensures the safe and secure conduct of judicial proceedings
 - Provides protection for federal judges, other court officials, jurors, the visiting public and prisoners
 - Provides a 24/7 response capability to review and respond to threats against the judiciary through a national Threat Management Center
 - Coordinates security for judicial conferences throughout the United States
 - Protects Supreme Court justices when outside of Washington and the director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the deputy attorney general in Washington and when they travel
 - Provides protective details for foreign officials during U.N. General Assembly sessions
- ▶ The U.S. Marshals Service also manages contracted security services inside federal court facilities, which are funded by the judicial branch's court security appropriation. The agency:
 - Oversees the daily operation and management of security services performed by more than 5,000 court security officers within the 94 U.S. District Courts and 12 circuits of the U.S. Court of Appeals
 - Awards and administers contracts for the CSO services
 - Participates as a primary member of the Interagency Security Committee, established by Executive Order 12977, to establish policies for the security and protection of federal facilities
 - Designs, installs and maintains security systems for the protection of federal courthouses and other judicial facilities
- ▶ The National Center for Judicial Security provides support to federal, state, local and international jurisdictions on matters of judicial security, including threat assessment, training, information sharing and technology review.